

Reminder Regarding This Computes! 118

<u>This Computes! 118</u> announced the installation of drop down options in CMS Net for the authorization of certain Medical Supplies. The drop down screens provide lists of commonly requested medical supply codes and suggested quantities of the supplies.

The codes and quantities are **ONLY** suggestions. Each SAR should contain codes and quantities customized to the care and needs of the individual child. The authorization of medical supply codes and the quantities of each item should be determined in cooperation with the child's physician and the medical supply provider. The development of the drop down screens was in no way intended to limit the discretion of the child's physician or the case manager regarding the services and quantities to be authorized.

In utilizing this tool it is essential that the child's medical condition and history, as well as the physician's prescription, be taken into consideration. Simply authorizing the medical supply codes and quantity that appear in the drop down screens is not appropriate for every child.